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NEWS RELEASE

TO: Area Media Outlets

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RE: Canadian H1N1 Vaccine Recall Clarification

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GlaxoSmithKline has asked the Canadian government to stop using H1N1 vaccine doses from one particular lot shipment of the vaccine. Several cases of anaphylaxis, a severe allergic reaction, have been reported and are being investigated among people vaccinated from this shipment.

The recalled vaccine is an adjuvanted vaccine that is <u>not</u> used in the United States. None of the influenza vaccines currently licensed and used in the United States contains adjuvant. The vaccine that is being recalled in Canada is <u>not</u> licensed nor used in the United States.

Please visit Bay County Health Department's website at <u>www.baycounty-mi.gov/Health</u> or call our Health Information Line at (989) 895-4192 for up-to-date information regarding H1N1 vaccine.